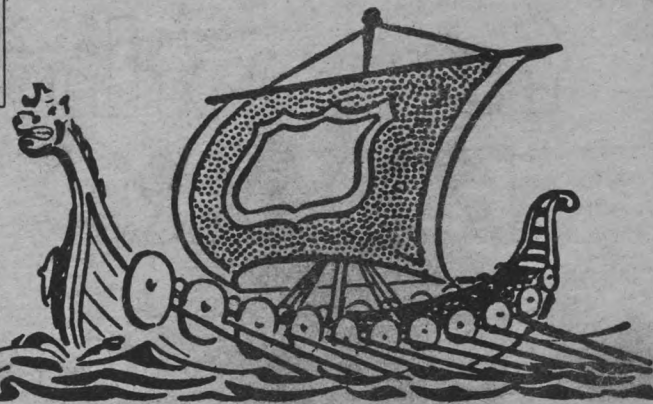


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SCANDAPADES '76 SUCCESS

Scandaparty

By Tom and Diane Kieren

A good way to reflect on Scandapades '76 is to think of the total experience—a real party. By that, we mean it was an evening when people of Scandinavian descent in Edmonton area come together to entertain one another, be entertained, to renew spiritual ties with the Scandinavian countries and simply to enjoy good fellowship. From our four perspectives, including Peter and Kristin, the evening was a success on all counts.

The "show" portion of the party proved to be varied and fast paced, with the "jester" and the M.C. moving things along in a warm and spirited manner. For us, the "local" part of the show was highlighted by the singing and dancing of the three Scandinavian ethnic groups. The singing and scenario of the Icelandic group was beautiful and cleverly done, although the dancers did not get to show their talents to full advantage. Being of Finnish background, I was particularly interested in the Katrilli dance by that group and was impressed by the "eastern" influence in the Karjalan number. Another crowd pleaser was the Oxdans—a lively, humorous and well co-ordinated number.

The evening was not all devoted to the old country. We were well entertained by the vivacious young Lillos. The lively grace and colour of the modern jazz group and co-ordination and whirling pigtailed of the Edmonton Gymnastic Club added a nice physical dimension to the evening.

Probably the keystone of the evening was humour. It is healthy to laugh at ourselves in the gentle mocking of the Queen runners-up or the language and plights of the skunk song.

If humor was the keystone, then surely the person who paced it was the guest star, Stan Boreson. A gracious and sprightly man, he kept us rolling with laughter in story and song. Favourites of our family

were "Walking In Our Winter Underwear", "The Sexy Waitress at the Sons of Norway Hall" and "Olie Chews Snooze". Of course, we roared with Sven as he stood at the gate with his rock, goose, bucket and "schickens". This and Boreson's endless arsenal of stories, poked fun at Scandinavians in a new land and yet made us realize we still have a heritage in our customs and even the way we speak. For our money, it would have been difficult to find a better special guest for our Scandaparty.

In putting together all of the multitudinous aspects of such a party, the producer, Sol Sigurdson, is to be congratulated. As well, Jack McCreath molded the young and young-at-heart, the serious and the slap-stick into a very professional show which highlighted our Scandaparty.

As all good things, the



Sol Sigurdson

party ended. But the ending—the delicious and well-served coffee and pastry, and the old-time dancing with the Lillo family—maintained to the end the pace and quality of the whole evening. □

STAN BORESON GIVES HUMOROUS PERFORMANCE

By Sol Sigurdson

Perhaps I, who was most deeply involved with our annual Scandinavian evening, should be permitted a thought or two in retrospect on our 1976 version of Scandapades. My first reaction is that the whole evening, right from the displays when we first entered the auditorium to the final strains of the Lillo family, was a huge success. Obviously we did not have a smashing box office success, and this is disappointing. But it was a cultural and entertainment success. It is disappointing that out of the some 40,000 Scandinavians in the area, we can't interest more of them in this family type show, but perhaps some better way of advertising it would help. If more people knew it was definitely a family show, that it included coffee, cakes and dancing, and a chance on a trip to Scandinavia, perhaps more people would have come.

As to the show itself, Stan Boreson was the highlight. I met many people that evening with aching sides from laughing. What I appreciated about him was that it was good, clean fun. I would be anxious to know of any other entertainers known to our readers who might be interested in making a trip to Edmonton. No, they don't have to be Scandihoovian; we get enough Scandinavian culture in the local half of the show.

Those of us who enjoyed that evening at the Jubilee are indebted to a very talented bunch of entertainers and directors. And speaking of directors, we all know about Jack McCreath's contribution, but we should sit back and try to appreciate the work of such directors as: Matti Erkkila of the Finnish dancers; Della Roland, who has been directing the Icelanders in Scandapades for many years; Gail Ledger, whose dancing fairies performed such a creative interpretation of the Icelandic folk songs: Ann Foss,



Stan Boreson

who travelled with her group of twenty kids from Camrose every week for practice; Judy Kugler, another loyal Scandapades supporter

whose girls performed more magnificently than ever; and finally Carsten Carlsen who, many people insist, organized the best thing in the whole show. (By the way, the little girl has only a sprained ankle.) These people who never appear on stage deserve a large round of applause from all of us. Believe me, we all feel deeply indebted to them.

I would also like to single out the soloists who performed in key spots: Irene Hovde, Vic Elverum, Peter Nielsen, Lillian French and Doris Smith. Perhaps I should mention myself who was dragged in to fill a couple of empty spots. The rest of the cast has already received your applause and your thanks. Everyone from the littlest Norwegian dancer to old Harry Huser, the violinist, really did appreciate your applause. I think all of us who worked so hard for the show, feel as if we, too, have benefited even if simply from getting to know such a vibrant and enthusiastic bunch of people.

I guess I shall remember for a long time the finale. My wife (Shirley), John Bergstrom, Per Nielsen and I had blown up the balloons that morning. Little did we know the excitement they would cause that evening. Of course, the finale was supposed to be a wonderfully elegant happening. Well, it was, until the balloons came drifting down right on cue and we realized this was the end. All hell broke loose. But this is one of the things hard to control in the show—enthusiasm. The first balloon-breaking signified a free-for-all. It was a director's nightmare, but at least it climaxed a rousing

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Scandapades '76

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

By Sol E. Sigurdson

This is the last splinter from this old board. The next time this column appears, we shall have a new board. Perhaps it is time for reminiscing about the past year. But before we do that, a successful Scandapades production is very much in our minds. It was a great pleasure to see so many people out for the show and the party following. The board is deeply indebted to all those who were involved in the show, especially those people who spent the hours in rehearsals. But we also need to thank those who worked so hard selling tickets, making the coffee and cakes, and so on.

Certainly the social functions of the board are worth remembering, right from the Mother's Day Dinner to the New Year's party. Other events are the establishing of the discotheque, the Viking Social Club, and the Toastmasters Club. All of these organizations are based at the Centre and are becoming flourishing enterprises that Centre members can avail themselves of.

We have also witnessed in this year the Centre running very effectively and seeing a great deal of use. We have had numerous improvements to the Centre which is probably in as good a shape now as it ever was.

The one event to which we are all looking forward to is Centre expansion. Much planning needs to be done before we can actually proceed. Much planning has been done this year but we need some new push to get us moving on it. I feel that the time is right for moving on this matter. And I suppose this is the most serious challenge for the new board.

So I shall bid adieu to Splinter readers. I hope this column has served its purpose of keeping you abreast of the board's thinking. We have had an exciting year and I hope I have been able to convey some of that excitement to you. □

FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

By Peter Elander

On several occasions, shareholders of the Scandinavian Centre come and rent one of the halls. It is kind of nice when our shareholders want to use and support the Centre. We could use more of this support.

Every so often the question of rights and privileges of the shareholders comes up.

It is then that I have to tell the shareholder, "Sorry, but it is the Scandinavian ethnic societies ONLY that can get the reduced rates for hall rental and corkage. It is these groups only that can bring in their own food and make it up. We have a contract with our caterer, and we have to live up to this contract.

It is, as a rule, something like this that is said: "I am a shareholder, we shareholders built the Centre and we are getting nothing for our investment!"

The first part of the statement is correct, but the second part??? Yes, it kind of "hit" a sore spot with me.

So I would like to let you in on what I feel I am getting for my investment in one share.

I, for one, feel pretty good when I see the Centre is used well, when I see all the activities by the societies here at no cost to them.

As a shareholder, I am part of this—I have been getting something for my investment.

But I am getting more than that. Every month, The Scandinavian Centre News arrives at my door. It has the information of what is going on, what is going to happen, plus many other fine articles. IT IS FREE. The FACT is that over the years it has cost the Scandinavian Centre \$64.80 to get the Scandinavian Centre News to me—a pretty good deal for me. Charter flights are also another privilege. At one time I also got a good deal on a flight to Denmark.

As a shareholder I have the right to be part of the "destiny" of our Centre.

I have the right to speak up at the annual meetings. I have the right to vote for the persons I would like to see as Centre directors.

As a shareholder I helped to give the Scandinavian societies a "home". So, from now on, when some

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shareholder comes and says to me, "We are getting nothing for our investment"—well, I smile a little. □

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By Claus Jacobsen

The Scandinavian Club Viking has now reached a membership of 40, and it was decided to call a General Meeting on Friday, March 12, 1976 at 8 p.m. in the Nordic Room, together with a social evening.

We would like to see all members present at this meeting and elect a new committee to replace the present one appointed at the first meeting.

A nominating committee representing all five Scandinavian countries has been appointed and must bring forward 9 members to form

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SOLGLYT SPOTLIGHT



By Gail Peterson EVENTS COMING UP March 13

Kon-Tiki Dance.

April 8

General Meeting and Initiation.

I think everyone had a good time at the Installation Dinner and Dance held on January 24. The food was delicious and the music was great. It was so nice to see so many young people out enjoying themselves.

Congratulations to Nels and Isabelle Mjaatveit who recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Congratulations are also in order for Rod and Merle Larsen on the birth of a son on February 11. Mother and son are doing fine.

Doug and Gail Peterson spent the weekend in Duncan, B.C., celebrating the 60th wedding anniversary of Gail's grandparents on February 21.

Henry and Ruth Logan's granddaughter came in second in the pre-teen section of the Peace River and District Figure Skating meet held in Fort St. John.

The Language Camp will be held from August 23 to August 28 at Mulhurst Lutheran Church Camp on Pigeon Lake. Be sure to reserve these dates. Application forms and further information will be forthcoming.

A couple of our Junior Lodge members have been doing very well in cross-country ski meets held recently. On February 7, Anders Nyhus came in third and his brother, Greg, came in fourth in the Alberta Nordic Cross-Country Ski

race held at Devon. At the Camrose Winter Games Zone Trials held in Camrose on February 14, Greg Nyhus came in second and Anders won third prize. Their dad, Kris Nyhus, also raced and came in fifth in the Veterans Group.

I think congratulations are in order for the members of the Scandinavian Centre Board, particularly Solli Sigurdson and Per Nielsen, who worked so hard on the successful Scandapades '76. It was a terrific show and enjoyed by one and all. A special bouquet goes to all of those who participated in the show. It was really great!

Emeth and Gladys Clark and Gladys' sister, Mrs. Kae Gieg, recently attended a retirement dinner in Swift Current, Sask. Gladys' brother, Oscar Quale, retired from the Canadian Pacific Railway after 35 years of employment.

District Director, Harv Haugen, and his wife, Betty, the District Vice-President, Roy Swanberg, from Calgary, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Anderson from Ronning Lodge, Camrose, and Emeth and Gladys Clark from Solglyt lodge, Edmonton, recently attended the official opening of the new premises of Northern Lights Lodge in Grande Prairie. Government and city officials also participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremonies. Mr. Harv Haugen also officiated at the installation of officers.

The next correspondent for the April issue will be Orla Tychsen, 489-5815. □

in the Norwegian Cooking, Baking and Handicrafts, can still participate in the remaining classes by phoning:

Mrs. Astrid Hope at 469-4747

Miss Karin Nasset at 439-6987

Applications are again open for our annual Sons of Norway Queen Contest which is going to be held in April. The lucky queen will be crowned at the "Syttende Mai" festivities which will probably be held on Friday, May 14. Participants are required to have the following qualifications:

1. Ages 16-25 years inclusively
2. Daughter of a Sons of Norway member
3. Must be Norwegian by birth of descent
4. Must be single

There will be a panel of judges and they will base their selection in accordance with these criteriae:

S/N PRESIDENT'S BALL

By Bob Burt

Following the Induction of Officers Supper Meeting and Dance at the Scandinavian Centre January 24 it was declared by the president, Doug Peterson, that the following Friday be designated a time for the gathering of the new executive and their spouses.

names of those present. A blackout was the object as member names were called. Prizes were given the winning pair.

Other games included scrambled Norwegian sayings. Another to sing in groups, song titles given. The fast and furious song titles from picture drawings,



The Sons of Norway Solglyt Lodge president's acceptance speech on installation night January 24, 1976. (Left to right) Installing Officer Harv Haugen (also President of The Scandinavian Centre), President Doug Peterson, Bill Zelensky, Sunray Junior Lodge, Treasurer Kris Nyhus and Chris Larsen, Junior Lodge.

The members met in the Dania Room where introductions were made. The entertainment which followed was fun-filled. Groups were chosen by a character name game for partners in a bingo game. The object was to fill the squares with

roused the entire gathering as they rushed the president with their answers.

The evening ended with a delightful lunch and coffee. This revival of the Annual President's "Meeting the Executive" is a very good idea. □

SKI TRIP TO JASPER

By Betty Broen

On the first weekend of February, forty members and friends of Sons of Norway invaded the Whistler Mountain Hostel with skis, boots, poles, sleeping bags and food for a weekend of skiing and fellowship. The trip was arranged by Sports Director Mr. Helge Nilsen.

The hostel is a two-storied structure with two large dormitories—one for male guests and one for female—with a total capacity of 70 beds.

A large stone fireplace dominated one end of the eating area which was furnished with easy chairs and three large picnic tables. The kitchen area in this same room contained double stove top sections of electric burners set in three counters. These counters formed the bars of an E shape

with the wall counter which held a couple of sinks and shelves beneath for dishes and the numerous boxes of food brought by guests. At one end of this E was an extra bar which contained a double sink and many pots and pans. Two refrigerators completed the furnishings.

The hotel had a few empty beds on Friday night, but was full the following night. At seven o'clock each morning the kitchen area was full of men and women frying bacon and eggs, making sandwiches and filling

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Cultural Report

By Astrid Hope

On February 5, Mrs. Astrid Hope responded to a call from McLeod Elementary School where she gave a talk and display of Norwegian handicrafts and artifacts for three classrooms in rotation. They were treated to some "Julebrød". This is the third year in succession she has been at the same school. She received appreciative letters of "thank you" from all of them.

On February 18-28, Southgate Shopping Centre had their annual Ethnic Display. Karin Nasset was there showing a display of her handicrafts she made while in Norway; on February 19 and 26 from 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Harry Huser consented to show his specialty of "Rosmaling".

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ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

By Leif Oddson
DATES TO BE
REMEMBERED

The "Scandinavian Escapades" show on Friday, February 13, 1976, is a date many of us will long remember. It was a memorable evening. Very warm thanks to our Board of Directors' member, Sol E. Sigurdson, who was the "Viking-in-charge" of this year's show. Also thanks go out to Bill Peterson, Gunnar Thorvaldson and all our society's members who contributed to the show. And Gail Ledger, we want you to know our warm feelings of gratitude for the contribution your Davidson School of Dancing members made for us.

The next date to be remembered is the annual opportunity for our members to influence and become involved in what our society will do in the coming year. Our Society's Annual Meeting: 2:00 p.m., Sunday, March 28 at the Scandinavian Centre.

At Scandapades, Rosa Benediktson from Red Deer told me she had been staying with her son, Ted Benediktson, and family for the week. On January 26 the ladies of the Icelandic Society honoured Donna Cameron with a shower at the home of Beulah Arason. Donna received a lace tablecloth. Della and Gus Roland attended the ten-day Canadian Festival of Youth Orchestra held in Banff during the last few days of January and the first week of February. They were there with the Edmonton Youth Orchestra. Doug and Gail Chivers spent a three-week

Christmas holiday in Vancouver visiting with Doug and Sharon Norman.

David and Wanda Letourneau, formerly of Fort St. John, B.C., have been visiting our Fjallkona, Berki Letourneau. Their little baby daughter, Rochelle, was baptized in the Spruce Grove United Church. David, Wanda and Rochelle will be locating soon in Abbotsford, B.C., to establish a Boston Pizza outlet there. David is presently managing the Boston Pizza outlet in Kelowna, B.C. Beulah Arason is in Ottawa visiting with her daughter, Carol, and family.

Congratulations to Ken and Judy Johnson on the February 6th birth of a new baby girl, Stephanie Kathryn, a sister for two-and-a-half-year-old Melissa.

Mrs. M. Down, Judy's mother from Winnipeg, has been visiting with the Johnson family. Gail and Les Vigfusson are vacationing in Hawaii.

FLIGHT TO ICELAND

The Leif Eiriksson Club in Calgary is still promoting a 225-person charter flight to Iceland. It will be three weeks early in July. If you live in Edmonton call Gunnar Thorvaldson at 466-1570, otherwise call Amy MacDonald in Calgary at 284-2809.

Leif and Lucille Oddson say "many thanks" to the society members who honored us on our twenty-fifth anniversary with a surprise party at the Scandinavian Centre.

Your correspondent for the April issue is Les Greenham — 455-0082. □

"VINLANDS MALLAG"

By Norman Black, Chairman
REPORT FOR THE SIX
MONTHS ENDING DEC. 31,
1975

Four issues of NY VERD were published in 1975, as compared with two issues a year in both 1974 and 1973. The preparation of the editorial material for these issues proved relatively easy, because of good staff co-operation.

Whether or not four issues can be published in 1976 depends on both the work schedule of the editor responsible for the editorial office and on how many advertisements are placed. The time that this editor has available for NY VERD includes the time he spends soliciting advertisements, and without enough advertisements to pay for the expense incurred in publishing it, no issue of NY VERD may be published.

Income received by the "Textbook Fund" for the English-Norwegian lesson book during the last six

months of 1975 resulted in its growth from about \$2,700 on July 1, to about \$4,000 on Dec. 31. During the full twelve months of 1975 the fund grew from \$1,965 to a figure just over \$4,000.

While the fund grew well during the year, there was a sharp drop in the number of gifts given to it during the second half of the year. Hopefully, better economic conditions in 1976 will bring an improvement in this.

A new manuscript of the English-Norwegian text has been promised by the same Norwegian scholar who prepared the first one. He said he will begin to work on it this September or October, after he completes his present graduate studies at the University of Bergen.

Copies of the existing, first sample draft of a manuscript for an English-Norwegian lesson book are expected to be used by Vinlands Mallag members to conduct Norwegian language instruction this year

CULTURAL HERITAGE COUNCIL

By Linnea Lodge

The annual meeting of the Alberta Cultural Heritage Council was held at the MacDonald Hotel, Saturday, January 31, 1976.

Fifty-four ethnic backgrounds were represented, among these were: Astrid Hope, Norwegian; Per Nielsen, Danish; Anne Sahuri, Finnish; and myself (Linnea Lodge) for the Swedish community.

Dr. Pierre Monod, chairman, opened the sessions at 8:30 a.m. for a short plenary session. The highlight of the day was the two hours spent with the guest speaker, Dr. David Suzuki, a geneticist who is on a one-year sabbatical from the University of B.C. while he hosts two weekly CBC science programs. This part of the program was open to the public and a good attendance was recorded. Many young people showed a real interest and asked some pondering questions under the question period allowed.

Each Council Member takes part in at least one Committee. The work is divided into the following categories:

1. Youth
2. Public Relations and Communications
3. Grants and Self Development
4. Immigration and Human Rights

in South Dakota and Saskatchewan (Prince Albert). There is also a possibility that the same manuscript may be used for instructional purposes by other members in Washington and New York. This represents good progress in teaching New Norse in North America.

Another encouraging note is that one of the members has promised to prepare the manuscript for a New Norse grammar for English-language users. He said he can begin the task later this year, after he has begun a leave of absence from his university teaching duties.

No such grammar book exists. However, one is badly needed if serious advanced study, or independent study and reading is to be carried on. It is also needed if a two or three-year-long course in New Norse is to be easily carried out by university instructors.

Planning is now under way to set up a fund that will be used as a reward for an acceptable grammar manuscript.

Several articles from the third 1975 issue of NY VERD were used in the December 1975 issue of The Scandinavian Centre News, which is published by the Scandinavian Centre, Edmonton,

NORTHERN LIGHTS

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER
By Shirley Olson

This could have been the theme for Northern Lights Lodge Sons of Norway #493 on January 17, 1976. This was the evening when the "new" Nordic Hall was officially opened, and installation of our 1976 officers took place.

The evening began with a cocktail hour and followed by a supper. Then President Br. John Petterson introduced our honored guests who included Mr. Ray Swanberg, Vice-President of District 4, from Calgary; Mr. Harv Haugen (representing District 4), from Edmonton, and his wife;

5. Culture, Language and Education

Each committee was assigned a resource person to assist in the study of problems related to that particular group. The five committee groups meet at least once a month to continue to examine other projects introduced to them. When the Council reconvened, each group gave a summary of their findings and presented any new resolutions. They must have done their work well because this area was handled very quickly.

After the sessions were completed, all members attended a reception and dinner where the Hon. Horst Schmid gave a short address. □

Alberta, Canada. The articles used included one about Vinlands Mallag. This publication is widely read on the Canadian prairie by people of Scandinavian background, so this was a positive development.

The progress outlined above shows what a little effort results in. However, your help is needed if greater progress is to be made. Help is needed to solicit more advertisements. Help is also needed to sell more subscriptions to NY VERD. If you belong to a Norwegian-background lodge or church, would it be interested in having copies of each issue mailed to it at a low, standing order rate?

Finally, please remember that dues must be paid by each member every 12 months. Dues remain only \$5 for a single member, and \$6.50 for a couple at the same address. If you are one of the growing number of members who sent their dues in on time, or ahead of time, we thank you. Your remembering to do so helps to lighten the work-load here.

Norman Black
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Mrs. Gladys Clark and husband from the Edmonton Lodge; and Mr. and Mrs. B. Hastings, representing the City of Grande Prairie; as well as Mr. and Mrs. Ross Anderson from Camrose.

First president of the Lodge, which started in 1969, Br. Bert Strand, assisted Bro. Swanberg and Bro. Petterson in the ribbon cutting.

After the opening ceremonies of the Lodge home were completed, Installing Officer Br. Harv Haugen brought the meeting to a more serious atmosphere when officers for 1976 were installed. Mrs. Doreen Anderson and Mrs. Gladys Clark were assisting Marshalls for the installation. Following words of wisdom and encouragement from Br. Harv Haugen, the following officers were installed:

PRESIDENT — John Petterson, re-elected
VICE-PRESIDENT — Derryl Nelson
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY — Ingrid Horneland
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The evening ended with a dance.

May I take this opportunity to thank all who helped to make this "A Night To Remember". □

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VASA LODGE SKANDIA



By Gertie Holmgren

The regular meeting was held on February 7 in the Dania Room with Chairman Lennart Petersson in the chair.

It was reported that John Ogren was home from the hospital and doing quite well. Oscar Carlson of Burnaby, B.C., had broken an arm before Christmas and would soon have the cast removed. We hope both of you will soon be as good as new. Four new members were initiated into our order. Paula Lindberg and Mae Rushton get a big "thank you" for the lovely lunch after the meeting. A card party followed, hosted by Karl and Marge Leander. Prize winners were:

MEN'S FIRST — Herman Nelson

MEN'S SECOND — Glen Eliasson

CONSOLATION — Frank Dodd

LADIES' FIRST — Audrey Eliasson

LADIES' SECOND — Anna Dodd

CONSOLATION — Joyce Hawkes

On Saturday, January 17, Buford Lodge #577 hosted a joint installation of officers ceremony in the Glen Park Community Hall. This was the second joint installation held in the north and as the weather was lovely was well attended. The four lodges taking part in the installation were Norden #513, Nordstjarnan #575, Skandia #549 and Buford #577. The four chairmen installed were George Modin for Buford Lodge, Lennart Petersson, Skandia, Ruby Bergstrom, Norden and Henry Sjogren, Nordstjarnan.

Grand Lodge Deputy John Holmlund spoke about how wonderful it was to see the sister lodges getting together on an occasion such as this. District Master Glen Eliasson thanked the four District Deputies for initiating the joint installation. The four District Deputies were Raymond Wold for Buford, Gunhild Ladouceur for Nordstjarnan, Ken Johansson for Skandia and Karl Brown for Norden Lodge.

A social evening and dance followed with dancing to the music of Helge Erickson's orchestra, and as usual the Buford ladies served a lovely lunch. Thanks ever so much. Happy Birthday was sung for Ken Johansson, who later favored us with a couple of songs. Thanks, Ken. We always enjoy your songs. Gunhild Ladouceur had made and donated a ceramic clock for

a raffle which was won by Ruby Swedberg from Meeting Creek. It was a very enjoyable evening. Thanks to those who were responsible.

The officers of Skandia Lodge #549 for 1976 are: Past Chairman, Leonard Eliasson; Chairman, Lennart Petersson; Vice-Chairman, Ray Nyroos; Secretary, Doreen Nyroos; Vice-Secretary, Leona Anderson; Treasurer, Linnea Lodge; Financial Secretary, Clarence Berg; Chaplain, Hansine Pierre; Master of Ceremonies, Ed Hinton; Vice-Master of Ceremonies, Millie Weiss; Inner Guard, Herman Nelson; Outer Guard, Emil Weiss.

It seems more and more of our members are taking winter vacations. Rudy and Sonja Sund spent a couple of weeks in Mazatlan, Mexico. Several of our members spent two weeks in Hawaii during the month of February. Some of them whom I know are Minnie and Harold Markstrom, Hansine and Eric Pierre, Winnie and Oscar Pearson, Brian and Wendy Johnson, and Peter and Emma Johnson. Milton and Virgie Fawcett chose a holiday in Tahiti with friends Ken and Helen McKeever. They did a lot of swimming, etc., and enjoyed the sun. Don and Evelyn Johnson, who have been travelling in their motor home since September, sent greetings from California. While we were shivering during that cold spell they were enjoying a temperature of 80°F. Magnus and Betty Pearson have returned from their holiday at the coast. I went to Woodward's Cooking School one day... I considered myself lucky to win a tin of Prem, but Mrs. Hedvig Erickson won two prizes. One for being so young and the other was a lucky draw. Tom Pearson went to Banff to curl in the police playdowns. His team came first in the "C" event.

There is to be a potluck supper for members and families on March 14 at 5 p.m. in the Nordic Room. Be sure to come and bring your favorite dish. Bingo will follow.

March 27 is a date to remember. It's the date of the Annual Triad Dance and Skandia is hosting it this year.

The Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be at the home

"CANADIAN TIDNINGEN"

ONCE MORE ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THE SWEDISH-CANADIAN NEWSPAPER "CANADIAN TIDNINGEN"

By Alexander Malycky

In a note, published a year ago in this paper, I attempted to clarify the question in what year the Winnipeg Swedish-Canadian newspaper *Canada - Tidningen* began publication. (1) This question was raised by Helge V. Pearson, the last editor of the above paper, who wondered why in 1892, the year in which this paper began appearing as a weekly, it bears the marking "Vol. VI," although, to his knowledge, no earlier copies of the paper were in existence. (2) Further he stated that

"Konstantin Flemming is perhaps the one publisher who, at the turn of the century, got 'Canada Tidningen' off the ground and to a stable and solid start. His predecessor, Pastor Svente Udden, and the original Swedish newspaper publisher, Immigration Agent and Colonizer, Emmanuel Ohlen, each published a Swedish paper—Udden, a church paper by the name of 'Sions Vaktere' and Ohlen, 'Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren', both of which were relatively shortlived, and after some hectic controversies were merged under the leadership of Flemming, and the new paper was published under the name of 'Canada'." (3)

In my note, quoting the 1892 issue of A. McKim's *Canadian Newspaper Directory*, I suggested that "It is the history of the latter publication that explains, perhaps, why the 1892 volume of 'Canada Tidningen' appeared as 'Vol. VI'. 'Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren' began appearing in 1887. (3) its 'Volume VI' would therefore appear in 1892, the year in which it merged with 'Sions Vaktere' to form 'Canada Tidningen'. In the light of this, the marking of 'Canada Tidningen' as 'Vol.

of Mary Pearson on March 10 at 1:30 p.m. Ste. 1708, 10330 - 122 St.

One young person I know thought Grandma was going to a women's lib meeting when she went to the Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

The Bowling Tournament will be at Medicine Hat on May 15. If you are interested in going either as a bowler or as a spectator, please phone Jenny Dahlseide at 489-5117 for information.

Have you missed the Scandinavian program on CFCW? If so, and you'd like to have it back on the air, write or phone the station. It might help.

The regular meeting will be on Sat., April 3 at 7:00 p.m. □

VI' would seem to indicate that its publishers considered their paper to be a continuation of 'Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren', under a changed name." (4)

Recently, the compiler of the first supplement to the listing of the Swedish-Canadian periodical publications (soon to appear in the next bibliographical issue of the journal *Canadian Ethnic Studies*), Mr. Michael Brook, of Nottingham, England, has kindly provided me with a copy of the Canada-related section from an early bibliography titled *Blixtar på tidnings - horisonten* (Lightning Flashes on the Newspaper Horizon), published in 1910 by Alfred Söderström in Warroad, Minnesota. This source enables one to enter several corrections into both of the above-quoted statements and to obtain a clearer picture of the early history of *Canada Tidningen*. Information, listed in it for the Swedish-Canadian papers published in Winnipeg, reveals, with regard to *Canada Tidningen*, the following picture: *Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren* appeared from September 1887 to October 1892

as a monthly, and from the latter date to January 1897 as a weekly; at that time, it was absorbed by the weekly *Canada*; the latter paper appeared under this title from July 1895 until June 1907, at which time it changed to *Svenska Canada Tidningen*; in its turn, *Canada* was a continuation of the monthly *Sions Vaktare*, which began publication in December 1892, in June 1894 changed its name to *Vaktaren* and became a weekly, and in July 1895 changed its name again to *Canada*. (5) Later on, at a date unknown to me but which Winnipeg-based students of the Swedish-Canadian press could probably ascertain with ease, *Svenska Canada Tidningen*

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"Canadian Tidningen"

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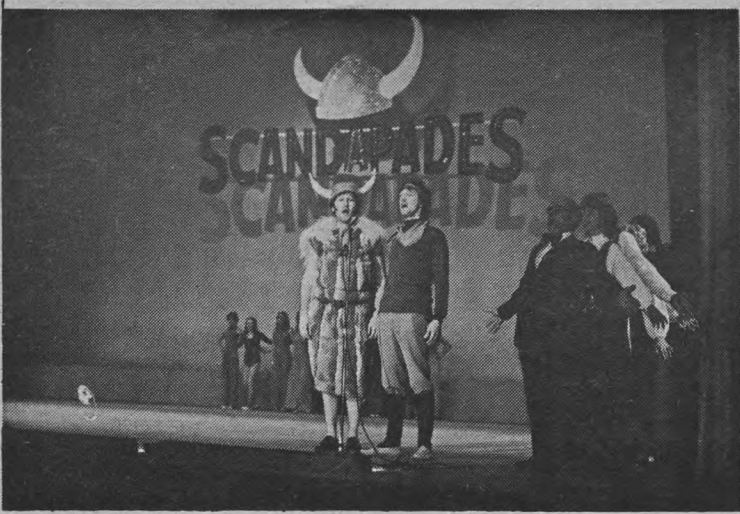
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Welcome to the Court of Scandinavia — Vic Elverum, the King; Sol Sigurdson, the Jester; and the Scandapades Players.



"Lappa Katrilli" and "Karjalan Katrilli" — the Finnish Society Dancers.



"Haavard Hedde" (Norwegian: "My Name is Haavard Hedde") — Irene Hovde with Harry Huser and Peter Nielsen.



"Olafur Liljuos", "Nu Er Glatt" and "Maninn Hatt" (Icelandic: "Olof Lilyrose", "Now There Is Happiness" and "The Moon On High") — Icelandic Saga Singers and the Davidson School of Dance.



"Oxdans" (Norwegian: "The Ox Dance") — Sons of Norway, Ronning Junior Lodge Dancers.



"Skunk Song" — Sol Sigurdson.



"Midnatsolens Land" (Norwegian: "The Land of the Midnight Sun") — Vic Elverum with Peter Nielsen.



Karin Nasset, Scandinavian Centre Queen, with Harv Haugen, President of the Scandinavian Centre, drawing and announcing the winner of a trip to Scandinavia.



"Greetings To Them At Home" — Irene Hovde and Vic Elverum.



Queens of Scandinavia — Scandinavian Centre Queen, Karin Nasset; Denmark, Lena Larson; Finland, Duija Elomaa; Iceland, Sue Lundberg; Norway, Linda Richardson; and Sweden, Laurie Eliason.



Stan Boreson (right) with Scandinavian Centre Honorary President, Sig Sorenson (left) at reception for Mr. Boreson.



Norman Wallebeck, 10944 - 36A Avenue, Edmonton — winner of the trip to Scandinavia.



"Klondike Klassics" — The Lillos - Victor, Lester, Danielle and Corinne.



"Motorcycle" (Swedish) — Lillian French; and "Swedish Duet" — Lillian French, Doris Smith and the Forestburgs.



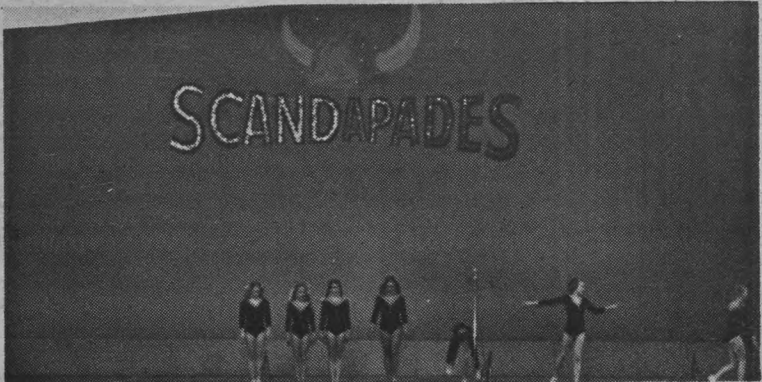
"Klonken" and "In the Mood" Tap Dance (Norwegian) — Joanne Hope and Louise Buksa.



"Bongolia" - Modern Jazz — the Judy Kugler Dancing Academy.



"La Cucaracha" — the Lillos - Lester, Corinne and Victor.



Gymnastic and Tumbling Display — the Edmonton Gymnastic Club.



Gary Johnson, Master of Ceremonies.

DEATH

JOHN FALTINSON —A Swell Guy!

Family and friends mourn the loss of John Faltinson, a long time resident of Edmonton and former president of the Sons of Norway Lodge.

John was born in Kopervik, Karmøy, Norway, on April 23, 1883. In his youth in Norway he tried his hand at fishing and at one point recalled visiting Seydisfjordur, a beautiful fjord on the east coast of Iceland, where he and his shipmates relaxed by dancing on the pier at that remote settlement.

In 1903 he emigrated to the U.S.A. landing at Boston on the Cunard ship, S.S. Saxonia. His early years in the U.S. were spent in Minnesota and the Dakotas, including several years in Mayville, N.D., where he worked on a large, well organized farm of some 36 sections of cultivated land, moving to Williston, N.D., in 1910 where he met his future wife, Hannah, at a church Young Peoples Meeting. Hannah had emigrated from Flakkstadvaag, Norway, in 1905. John and Hannah married in Williston on April 6, 1912, and were subjected to the spirited harassment of the chivaree normal in those days—they paid off the celebrants by bribing them with their last seven dollars. Planning to settle on a homestead in that area, they decided, however, to move to booming Edmonton (population 40,000) where they arrived with their young daughter, Ethel, in 1913. John worked in construction until the "bust" and subsequent hard times closed down building activity. Plans to homestead were again discussed but in the meantime a cow was purchased in order to supplement their food supply. This led to a small trade in supplying milk to



Finale - "It's A Scandinavian World" (Waltz) — Irene Hovde, Peter Nielsen (right) and the Scandapades Players.

friends and neighbors which John delivered daily on foot. An unemployed carpenter friend fashioned a make-shift milk bottle carrier from a discarded wooden Scotch whiskey case—this led to the humorous reverence by many of Johnny Walker (the milkman). The demand for milk of high quality increased and with more cows in the herd, a contract was made in 1915 with Woodland (now Palm) Dairy, to supply them with a special category of milk known as "Babies Special". This commanded a higher price and was much in demand on the market. In 1923 John established his own retail operation called Beechmount Dairy located on 97th Street with deliveries to households being made by horse and wagon. Three more children, Phyllis, Roy and Esther, had joined the family and the Alberta Avenue Community by this time.

A shortage of pasture land in the city necessitated a move in the summer of 1928 to a farm in Dominion Park in West Edmonton on 142 St. Lush forage for the cattle was provided by the large, open meadows in the area now known as Dovercourt, a site used just previously by early flying pioneer Wop May as Edmonton's first flying field. For several years, each spring and fall saw semi-annual migrations when the cattle were herded to their summer and winter home. This event always created much excitement as the move followed a route out 118 Ave. through what is now the Edmonton municipal airport. In 1934 permanent winter and summer facilities were established at the 142 St. location. Water wells were dug and a barn and other buildings were constructed for the cattle, electric power was brought out from the city and the coal oil lamps were placed in storage. During these and the years previous, the Faltinson home was always a popular meeting place for young and old alike. Many happy gatherings at dinners will be remembered by family and friends and the Sons of Norway members frequently held summer picnics among the tree groves and pleasant meadows in the cow pasture.

John and Hannah were faithful members of the church, the Sons of Norway

Lodge, and the Edmonton Ski Club throughout the years. They looked forward to their social gatherings and meetings with their friends and the "BIG DOINGS" of the Sons of Norway. Lutfisk suppers were always attended and the same dish was the main course at their family and hired help Christmas Eve gatherings. Work was hard and vacations were rare on the dairy—however John and Hannah visited their old homes and relatives in Norway in 1950. John enjoyed the experience and was happy to return to Edmonton where he felt more progressive and modern thinking prevailed.

In 1953, at the age of 70, John retired and sold his cattle and dairy operation. Industrial and residential building commenced in the Dovercourt area in 1954 and by 1958 he and Hannah moved to their new home in Parkview. In the years following, they celebrated their golden and diamond wedding anniversaries in their home in Parkview. Happy gatherings of friends and family continued through the years and their home was always the headquarters for birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas celebrations and many social visits. John was a member of Central Lutheran Church in the early years and later a charter member of Mount Zion Lutheran Church which he attended regularly.

He was always a great admirer of the beauty of the works of man and nature and led a full, happy and active life for 92 years. He relished the monthly Torske Klubben codfish dinners at the Scandinavian Centre and drove his own car right up to 3 weeks before his death. He will be sadly missed and always remembered by his family and many friends. □

JOHN FALTINSON AS WE REMEMBER HIM

Grandad was a man of simple wants and pleasures. Perhaps that is why he was so well loved by all of us.

Early impressions of him take us back to the dairy where he could be seen doing the daily chores. One of his favorite cows was called "Daisy" and she was lame in one leg. She was always

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John Faltinson

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E2	Edmonton - Copenhagen	June 30 - Aug. 3	April 26	\$445 ⁰⁰
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FINNISH SOCIETY



By Elmer Kankkunen

The Finnish Society held its annual meeting on Jan. 18, 1976, at the Scandinavian Centre. Mr. Veikko Kujala chaired the meeting with Anne Sahuri assisting as secretary.

A moments silence was observed to honour the memory of two of our members who had passed away recently—Mr. Eero Honka and Mr. Arvi Karvonen. A review of the past years activities reminded us of the good times we had enjoyed and the reading of various reports including the financial report confirmed that it had been a successful year in every way.

Pentti Sipari was re-elected as president by acclamation. Nominations for executive were made from the floor and the following officers were elected: Markku Erkkavaara, Esa Kanerva, Elmer Kankkunen, Irja Kuusela, Airi Langeste, Antti Lof, Sirkka Ristola, Jaakko Thurlin.

Due to the increase in activities, the position of chairman of the entertainment committee was re-activated. Veikko Kujala accepted the position and he will be assisted by the executive and other members as required.

Mrs. Irja Kuusela was elected to head the Womens Auxiliary, to be assisted by Anneli Thurlin, Impi Honka. Anne Sahuri and Vaino Rastas were elected as auditors. Sirkka Ristola will continue to be the Suomi-Seura representative and she also represented the Finnish Society at the Annual Scandinavian Centre Meeting. Mrs. Sylvi Kankkunen was elected as correspondent to the Finnish paper, Vapaa Sana, and Elmer Kankkunen will continue as correspondent for the Scandinavian Centre News. Kaisa Tekoniemi, Antero Hast and Sylvi Kankkunen were elected to the Scandapades Food Fair, and Mrs. Bertha Rama consented to continue as flower girl.

The question of possible revisions to the Finnish Society constitution was discussed at some length but it was decided that no changes would be made.

After the annual meeting, the executive met briefly and made the following selection of officers:

VICE-PRESIDENT — Jaakko Thurlin
SECRETARY — Airi Langeste
TREASURER — Sirkka Ristola
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY — Elmer Kankkunen

At consequent meetings and discussions, the Finnish Society decided to purchase a duplicating machine, and Anneli Thurlin agreed to look after the preparation and

mailing of notices to the membership.

COMING EVENTS

March 7

Cross-Country Ski Meet — Karvonen Farm, Hollow Lake

March 10

General Meeting at Sipari's.

March 27

Spring Fling — Scandinavian Centre.

Details available from Pentti Sipari or members of the executive.

EERO HONKA

Mr. Eero Honka passed away Jan. 9, 1976, after a lengthy illness at age 63. Born in Forssa, Finland, he had served in the Finnish Army and fought in the front lines during the war between Finland and Russia. He was a mechanic by trade and came to Canada with his family in 1951. Mr. Honka was one of the founding members of the Finnish Society in Edmonton, and a Scandinavian Centre Shareholder.

Mr. Honka is survived by wife Impi at home; two daughters, Pirkko, Mrs. Albert Karvonen of Sherwood Park, and Mary, Mrs. Paul Karvonen of Devon. □

FINLAND - SUOMI EDUCATION PART IX

In the 17th century, a Finn who had reached adult age without having learned to read could be put into stocks for public humiliation. He was not even allowed to marry until he had learned his ABCs. In this way the church enforced at least a basic education. The ability to read and write was in fact made a condition for the exercise of civil rights. As a result, the period of literacy of the Finnish nation can be counted in centuries; and, today the literacy rate is virtually 100%.

TO SCHOOL AT SEVEN

Today every Finnish child is required by law from the age of seven to attend elementary school for at least eight years. The elementary schools are publicly owned. Also one third of all children continue in secondary schools which prepare them for university studies. Others may attend vocational schools. Less than one third of the secondary schools are state-owned. Most of them are co-educational.

In 1963, the Finnish Parliament approved a motion calling on the Government to take speedy measures to remodel the primary school system on a comprehensive school basis (Basic School). In 1967 the Government introduced a bill which set up the framework for a new Basic School of a comprehensive type. This educational reform will be adopted during the first half

SKIING NOTES

By Elmer Kankkunen

The long, warm spells and general lack of snow have been a source of frustration to cross-country skiers in Alberta this winter. Devon Club members worked hard to prepare the track for the Alberta Cross-Country Championships held on Feb. 7, 1976.

Ninety racers, some as far away as Inuvik and Yellowknife, N.W.T., McBride, B.C., Calgary and Hinton, Alberta, participated in the event.

The Servold families from Devon and Innisfail dominated as usual, however N.W.T. skiers made a very strong showing, and for the first time in recent years skiers of Finnish descent also placed well.

Oliver Hannula of Hinton placed 3rd in the Veterans 12 km., right behind Irwin and Clarence Servold. Oliver's son, Eric, placed 2nd in the midget boys 3 km. Andrew Kankkunen placed 2nd in the mini-midget 1 1/2 km., both losing out to N.W.T. skiers only. Mia Macki of Devon was 5th in the midget girls 3 km.

In the 1976 Canadian Junior Cross - Country Championships held Jan. 29, 1976, at Morin Heights, Quebec, the Northwest Territories and National Capitol skiers won most of the medals. The Capitol region has become a real power base in cross-country skiing, and no wonder, as Ottawa Ski Club has over 10,000 members.

Some results are as follows:

JUNIOR GIRLS 5 km.

1. Ida Parks, N.W.T. — 21:08.31
2. Winnie Bullock, N.W.T. — 22:44.06
3. Becky Tuggle, Western — 22:45.53
4. Connie Servold, Alberta — 23:03.07
17. Helen Servold, Alberta — 26:15.53

(Field of 25)

of the 1970s. The school will be free of charge and compulsory, and will provide education which up to now has been given in the primary schools and middle schools—or first stage of the secondary schools.

UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

University education has a long tradition in Finland. Helsinki University was founded in 1640 (in Turku from where it was transferred to Helsinki in 1828), and today it has more than 22,000 students. Moreover, there are seven universities and nine other institutions on the university level—technical, commercial and teacher training.

There are 55,000 university students in Finland. Of these, 53% are women—the highest percentage in the world. □

JUNIOR WOMEN 7.5 km

1. Luise Sander, National Capitol — 32:21.85
2. Cornelia Nehr, National Capitol — 33:06.72
3. Marilyn Atkinson, National Capitol — 33:43.78

(Field of 10)

JUNIOR BOYS 5 km

1. Richard Weber, National Capitol — 17:06.44
2. Marvin Strimbold, Western — 17:10.61
3. Kirk Van Rijk, National Capitol — 18:24.33
7. Dean Levanen, Lake Superior — 19:08.66
14. Marty Servold, Alberta — 20:09.04
16. Jari Pietila, Lake Superior — 20:21.38
17. Jon Servold, Alberta — 20:24.76
27. Ari Niemi, Northern Ontario — 23:20.38

(Field of 34)

JUNIOR MEN 10 km.

1. Pierre Vezina, Quebec — 34:28.61
2. Stephan Sander, National Capitol — 34:53.12
3. Angus Cockney, N.W.T. — 35:15.41
10. Robert Kinnunen, Northern Ontario — 37:35.20
13. Timo Tikka, Northern Ontario — 38:25.97
19. Mark Servold, Alberta — 40:12.74

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- 1 1/2 km. (1 lap)
1. Jamie Lynn Simpson, Devon — 9:57
2. Maureen Hommy, Devon — 10:03
3. Ruth Freeman, Devon — 12:00

MINI-MIDGET BOYS

- 1 1/2 km. (1 lap)
1. Scott Mockford, N.W.T. — 8:21
2. Andrew Kankkunen, Devon — 9:47
3. Ian Doig, Devon — 10:01

PEE-WEE BOYS 1 1/2 km.

1. Danny Servold, Devon — 8:12
2. Keith Burlingame, Camrose — 10:07
3. Andres Nyhus, Edmonton Norsemen — 10:44
4. Greg Nyhus, Edmonton Norsemen — 11:21

MIDGET GIRLS 3 km.

1. Louann Servold, Camrose — 14:16
2. Ingrid Servold, Devon — 16:54
3. Janette Bendikson, N.W.T. — 17:15
4. Harold Gibson, Camrose — 17:17
5. Mia Macki, Devon — 17:36

MIDGET BOYS 3 km.

1. Johathan Bendiksen, N.W.T. — 14:32
2. Eric Hannula, Devon — 15:59
3. Kyell Bronson, Devon — 16:19

JUVENILE BOYS 6 km.

1. David Servold, Camrose — 25:09
2. David Hockey, Devon — 25:59
3. Niel Servold, Devon — 27:57

JUNIOR WOMEN 6 km.

1. Connie Servold, Camrose — 24:37
2. Helen Servold, Devon — 28:26
3. Jean Watt, U. of A. — 33:40

JUNIOR MEN 12 km.

1. Angus Cockney, Inuvik — 44:19
2. Marty Servold, Camrose — 47:26
3. Mark Servold, Devon — 49:01

SENIOR WOMEN 6 km.

1. Anita Petterson, McBride — 25:59
2. Claire Rolf, Camrose — 27:04
3. Duchane Richard, Foothills — 31:29

SENIOR MEN "A" 18 km.

1. Rocky Notness, Devon — 1:04:49
2. Larry Mason, Foothills — 1:06:14
3. Lars Fossum, Saga — 1:08:20

SENIOR MEN "B" 12 km.

1. Jim White, Saga — 52:47
2. Tony Lambert, U. of A. — 54:07
3. Doug Walker, Devon — 55:38

VETERANS 12 km.

1. Clarence Servold, Camrose — 45:33
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3. Oliver Hannula, Devon — 48:28

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NEWS FROM ANSGAR

By Pastor Holger N. Madsen

To all our readers who are avid fans of a real typical Danish meal with all the proper trimmings, this is the month that you have been looking forward to since last year. The 14th ANNUAL SPRING SUPPER AND BINGO will be held at the Scandinavian Centre on Friday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for this event are available from members of the Danish Ladies Club, and members of the Men's Club. You must have your tickets bought and paid for no later than March 21, so that our ladies may know how many they must prepare for. If you are unable to locate a ticket seller, you may phone Aksel Green, 468-3611; Niels Gran, 422-8777; or Elsie Anderson, 476-1679; and Anne-Lise Larsen, 459-7341. Any of these people will be glad to help you in any way possible. The price of the ticket for supper this year is \$4.50, and we shall guarantee that for both quality and quantity you can't find a meal in town to match it.

After the supper, you will have the opportunity to sit and visit while you play some bingo—15 games for \$1.00—and you may even be lucky enough to win one of the many attractive prizes. Plan then to come out and enjoy a fulfilling evening on March 26.

On Sunday evening, March 28 at 8 p.m., we are planning an evening fellowship, which will feature Pastor Les Stahlke, of the LAMP Association. LAMP stands for Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots. Its purpose is to make contact with people who live in the isolated settlements of northern Canada, and to provide them with the Christian Gospel, and the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion.

This association was begun a little over five years ago, with a loan of \$4,000 and an ancient airplane with one pastor/pilot who was Les Stahlke. Now this association has four planes and four pastors/pilots. The bases for operations are located at High Level, Alta., Edmonton, Alta., Lac La Ronge, Sask., and in northern Ontario. The current annual budget of the association is right in the neighborhood of 1/4-million dollars. Where does all the money come from?? It comes from individuals, from congregations, Sunday Schools and organizations all across North America. (In one year alone, approximately \$5,000 came solely from Sunday School children enrolled in the "Miles for Jesus" program, whereby

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We enjoy your paper very much and look forward to it each month.

Sincerely
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As I am a member of the Scandinavian Centre from the start, and also sold many shares from the start, I feel at home when I get a chance to take in Scandapades, or "doings" at the Centre, but after my wife died in 1943, I sold my home in Edmonton and moved to the Good Sheppard Lutheran Home at Wetaskiwin, Alberta, but I still get the Scandinavian Centre News to read, and enjoy. Sending \$5.00 to show my appreciation and hoping that the Centre will continue to prosper.

I am yours sincerely

John Ogren
Wetaskiwin, Alta.

they would sponsor the cost of a trip to some isolated settlement at the rate of 15 cents per mile.) In the past several years, an increasing amount of money has been received from the northern settlers themselves who are grateful for this meaningful service being extended to them.

I had wanted to verify Pastor Stahlke's presence at our meeting of March 28, but I couldn't reach him because he was out talking about the LAMP program in, of all places, Florida! But we are quite sure he can be with us for the 28th, and hope you will be, too, to hear more about LAMP. And don't forget to bring a friend.

For all Over 60 readers, remember our meeting at Ansgar on Wed., March 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. You don't have to be Danish to attend as long as you are over 60—most Danes are bi-lingual. □

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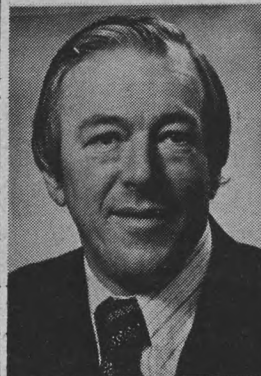
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• If brown sugar goes hard or lumpy, sprinkle it with water and heat it in the oven at 250°F for a few minutes, or put an apple slice in the plastic bag with the hard sugar. Both methods add moisture to the sugar.

• A heaping tablespoonful of cornstarch in 1 quart of water makes an excellent window cleaner. Polish with old newspaper.

• **Wax Clothes Rods:** Wax applied to the rods in your clothes closets will permit your hangers to slide back and forth more readily. They stay clean with an occasional dusting.

• **Easier Snow Shovel-ling.** Coat your snow shovel with any kind of liquid wax and even the wettest snow will not stick.

• **Away With Tangles.** To avoid tangles in your costume jewelry, especially chain necklaces, hang them on a towel rod or hook behind your closet or bedroom door. It saves time, and wear and tear on the nerves.

SHORT RIBS

These are delicious and will make a hit with your family.

3 lbs. short ribs
2 cups sliced onions
1 tablespoon oil
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup vinegar
1/4 cup chili sauce
3 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons worcestershire sauce
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1/2 cup dry red wine (optional)

Bake ribs in a shallow pan at 450°F for 30 minutes. Pour off fat. Sauté the onions in the oil. Add remaining ingredients to make a sauce. Pour this over the baked ribs, cover and bake for 2 hours at 325°F. Add water if ribs become dry.

HEAVENLY HASH

Good with turkey or ham, or as a dessert.

1 cup drained pineapple cubes
1 cup drained mandarin oranges
1 cup coconut (flaked)
1 cup miniature marshmallows
1 cup sour cream
Combine and chill.

PORCUPINES

3/4 lb. hamburger
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/3 cup uncooked rice
1 chopped onion

1/2 cup milk

Salt

Pepper

Combine all ingredients and form into balls. Place in casserole and cover with 1 tin of tomato soup and 1 cup water. Bake uncovered for 30 minutes at 350°F. Cover and bake for 30 minutes longer.

SCANDINAVIAN RECIPE FOR MARCH LEVERPASTE

This liver paste is a favorite that adds substance to any party. Serve it on thinly-sliced rye bread, or, for extra strength, French rolls.

1 lb. pork liver
1-lb. piece side bacon
4 sprats*
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 teaspoon butter
1/2 teaspoon salt
Pinch of white pepper
3 eggs
1-2 tablespoons flour (potato if possible)
2 1/4 cups table cream
12 thin side bacon slices (approx.)

Wash the liver and soak for several hours in cold water. Cut it and a piece of bacon into small pieces, then put twice through a fine meat grinder with sprats.

Sauté onion in butter and add to meat along with seasonings. Stir in the eggs and flour, mixing with wet hands. Moisten the mixture with cream and work it until smooth. If it seems too moist, add a little more flour.

Line the bottom of a 3-cup baking tin or casserole with bacon slices and pour in meat mixture. Top with more bacon, cover with foil and place in a roasting pan containing hot water. Bake at 350°F for about 1 1/2 hours, let cool, then chill.

Serve already sliced, or allow guests to serve themselves (the Scandinavians place a thick slice on a piece of toast and garnish it with black olives and mandarin orange sections). Serves about 16.

*Sprats are Scandinavian anchovies that more resemble sardines, and you'll find them in a specialty delicatessen. Ordinary anchovy fillets are too salty for this paste.

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chapter—viewing the phenomenon of language conflict in terms of social power struggle. (Published by Forlaget Novus, Box 6 Hagenstua, N-0slo 9,

Norway. Price, including postage: \$6.00 regular mail, \$7.00 air mail.) □

GUDBRANDSDAL AND AMERICA written by Einar Hovdhaugen, former member of Parliament and a well-known author of local historical works and translated into English by Gunvald Lindsoe, has been published by the Historical Society of Gudbrandsdalen in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of Norwegian emigration to U.S.A. It is a nicely illustrated paperback booklet on the history of emigration from the Gudbrandsdalen valley to America. (Available from: Rev. Jo Lindsoe, 228 Church St., Rocky Mount, Va. 24151. Price: \$3.00 for single copies. For orders of 25 or more copies the price is \$2.50 postage prepaid.) □

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the last one in the barn and I can still see him standing patiently by the barn calling "so boss". He never hurried her . . . or anyone else. He had a lot of patience.

Later on his concern was to instill in us an appreciation of money. Save a little for a rainy day, he'd say, and he did. The rainy day always came for him in the form of us grandchildren hankering after some special goody and he never could hold back. It was the same way when times were hard and families couldn't afford to buy milk—he gave it to them free, he had an unfailing faith in mankind and was never let down by his friends.

Grandad will never be remembered for any one big deed. Rather he was a man comprised of many small things . . . and in our eyes that made him big indeed. Many times you would scarcely notice that he was there. He'd be sitting quietly listening, nodding silent assent.

We never heard him raise his voice in anger or utter an unkind word about anyone . . . except perhaps in politics in which he stayed well versed. The newspaper was never far from his hand and was read from cover to cover. He could speak fluently on any of the topics of the day.

We were very proud of him . . . for his mental and physical alertness. Every year we waited anxiously for the compulsory driving test he had to take because of his age . . . and every year he'd pass saying simply "what do you think of that?"

He stayed active tending his roses, going for walks and observing the changes happening around him. He never resented change and always seemed to be happy to be a part of it. He took his first plane flight at age 87, one of several in the years following. Another first was a stay in hospital at age 92. He wasn't afraid



of taking a chance in businesses, pleasure or people.

A favorite expression was, "a swell time" or "big doings" . . . in which he referred to parties and events at the Lodge or in Scandapades.

Christmas Eve was special . . . we celebrated every Christmas Eve with grandma and grandpa. Sons, daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren . . . he loved them all. The little tykes held a soft spot for him . . . and against our admonitions he would pick them up. Later on he'd bring out a favorite wine or liqueur and pour a small glass for all.

Granddad led a full and happy life and set an example for all of us to follow. Our sorriest regret is that some of our children will never have the opportunity to see and know him . . . as we knew and loved him. □

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shortened its title to **Canada Tidningen**, which title it retained until July 1, 1970, at which time, as Mr. Pearson informs us, it was absorbed by the **Swedish American Tribune**, published in Chicago, Illinois. (6) The connection between **Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren**, **Canada, Svenska Canada Tidningen**,

and **Canada Tidningen** is also indicated in **Cecilie Bonafede's Ikke-nordiske aviser i nordiske biblioteker, 1750-1963** (Non - Scandinavian Newspapers in Scandinavian Libraries), in which the above titles are cross referenced, among the holdings of Canadian papers. (7) The fact that all of the above-quoted sources listed the title of the earliest precursor of **Canada Tidningen** as **Den Skandinaviske Canadiensaren** points probably to a mistake in J. Oscar Backlund's book **A Century of the Swedish American Press**, where it is referred to as **Den Svenska Canadiensaren**. (8)

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mr. Brook for supplying me with pertinent sections of the above-quoted works by **Söderström, Bonafede, and Backlund**, as well as for the translation of the Swedish texts contained therein.

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thermos bottles with soup or coffee. Before nine, the frenzy of activity ceased as the last of the downhill skiers

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On Saturday, one cross-country skier went out on a trail from the parking lot up at Marmat Basin, meeting other skiers along the way, but escaping from the crowds on their Alpine skis. Sunday morning, a visit to the Park Information Office provided information about several cross-country trails in the Jasper area, so three of us headed out on an intermediate trail. The townspeople of Jasper have trails all around the surrounding area and somehow our group strayed off the marked trail but eventually got back on again. We decided a compass would be a useful piece of equipment to have tucked into a pocket when skiing in the mountains among the trees.

The weekend afforded the Verklund family the opportunity of a reunion with Edmonton and area members meeting with mother and father, Marjorie and Leif, from Sorrento, B.C.

One member returned home after one day's skiing because of a sore knee, twisted falling on the slopes. This was the only casualty noted. The youngest member of the group, a six-year-old, was soon using chair lift and T-bar like a veteran, although it was a first experience with either one.

Sunday afternoon the heavy snowfall in the Marmat Basin area was left behind as the tired skiers headed for home. A herd of mountain sheep came across the highway and several cars stopped to watch. A few skaters were observed on the frozen streams along the roadside as we drove home to Edmonton after a most successful weekend. □

SKIING

By Bob Burt

Devon, as everyone knows, followed the lead of Camrose as a ski town. Many Dominion, Alberta and local ski jumping, as well as cross-country, became very popular. Irving Servold and his brother, Clarence, of Camrose were members of the Canadian Olympic team in jumping and cross-country for four Olympic games. Hans Skinstad of Devon was on the Olympic team this year, as well as Don and Richard Grady of Edmonton on the jumping team. They both did very well.

Nordic ski events commenced in Devon in November when Gold Medals were won by Kathleen Collins, Eric Doig, Mark, Mary and Ruth Freeman, Stephan Stadnick and Danny

and Ingrid Servold. Silver Medals went to Andy and Kenny Simpson. Bronze Badges were won by Ian Doig, Mark Paulson, David Mackie and Grant Talbot. Niel Servold was Most Improved Skier, the Best Skier was Helen Servold, and the Best Jumper was Mark Servold.

In the Alberta Devon Nordic on February 6 in the Pee Wee event, Anders and Greg Nyhus placed 3rd and 4th respectively. Competition was keen at the Camrose Meet on February 15, the Alberta Championship Games Qualifying for Winter Games at Banff early in March. In the Veterans Over 35 Years Old Cross-Country event, Clarence and Irvin Servold placed first and second. Kris Nyhus came in a good 5th. New member Steiner Klaboe, recently from Quebec, formerly of Norway, placed 9th. The Pee Wee event was won by Danny Servold, closely followed by Greg and Anders Nyhus. Unfortunately, there is no competition for youngsters under 12 in Banff. The Senior races were 12 kilometers, while the Pee Wees were 2 1/2 kilometers (nearly 3 miles). The race was tough and some of the upper course had to be cut off. Snow, of course, was the problem.

Devon hosted the Alberta Ski Jumping Championships on February 15. This was the smallest entry ever. Dennis Maland was winner of the Senior jumping with 130 feet. The Junior jump was won by John Servold. The Servolds swept other events throughout the meet. The record jump on the Devon 55-meter jump is 196 feet, made at one of the events by John McGinnis of Revelstoke, B.C. □

Draw for Norwegian Rug

By Bob Burt

The Edmonton Klondike Nitestand, the only Canadian Club of Nitecaps International Salt Lake City, has been active here since 1965. Janette Burt has been the president for the past three years. Nitecaps have as one of their objectives the sponsoring of a needy cause. This local branch has sponsored the Evelyn Unger School for Language and Learning Development. Money realized from projects, purchase readers for the school.

Hand hooked rugs have been made and raffled off as projects for the past three years. A determined drive was made this year. Tickets were sold throughout the city and at shopping centre malls. Special permission was granted to sell tickets for this Norwegian patterned rug at the Jubilee Auditorium at Scandapades '76 on February 13. Thousands have seen the rug and many with eyes for where it would



Janette Burt, President of the Edmonton Klondike Nitestand Club, presenting cheque, the result of tickets sold on a hand-hooked rug, to Evelyn Unger of the Evelyn Unger School for Language and Learning Development.

go in their homes.

A club meeting was held at the Burt's in Devon on Sunday. Evelyn Unger was present to make the draws. The lucky ticket for the rug was held by Ivor Roberts of Medicine Hat. The draw for the pen sketch, etched by member Esther Heath, was won by Miss Bev Kelly of Edmonton who works in the Personnel Department of C.B.C.

A cheque for over \$500.00 was presented to Mrs. Unger. The project was a most successful venture by this 18-member club. It was only with hard work and the thought in mind that all money collected was going for a very worthy cause. □

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the new committee—3 for 3 years, 3 for 2 years and 3 for 1 year terms.

This will be the only notice that members of Scandinavian Club Viking will get, so please mark your calendar for Friday, March 12, 8 p.m., General and social meeting.

With Scandapades over and done with for another year, all talent has vanished. Why not, within the Centre, keep a record of various persons and groups and use them for entertainment, and in that way keep in contact with talented people. The idea has just been tossed around as a suggestion, but I see a great future in such an arrangement.

We could have entertainment at social functions and keep a well-trained cast available for next Scandapades. □

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end to a rousing show.

So we sincerely hope you can round up a few of your neighbours for next year, because we'll have an even better show then. Any ideas?? □

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